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I reviewed our problems of S. 782 (Ervin bill) with Slatinshek and left with him backup material and a proposed draft letter from Chairman Rivers to Chairman Henderson, of the House Manpower and Civil Service Subcommittee, which is handling the bill. I suggested to Slatinshek that Rivers might mention to Representative Richard White, a member of both Armed Services and the Henderson Subcommittee, the seriousness of the problems the bill created for the Agency.

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shortly.

Reviewed S. 782 (Ervin bill) problem with Preston, and left with him a draft letter from Chairman Mahon to Chairman Henderson requesting a complete exemption for the Agency, together with backup material. Preston said he thought Chairman Mahon would be glad to call Representative Richard White (from a neighboring district in Texas) in our behalf.

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4. [] Called Charles Johnson, Chief Counsel and Staff Director, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, to explain that [] meeting with Ted Kazey, of Johnson's staff, had resulted from the request of Dick Cook, who handles congressional liaison for the White House, that we contact and brief Kazey re S. 782 (Ervin bill). Johnson said this was okay with him and indicated his full support for our position. He does not expect action on the bill until after the 4th of July, since many Committee members will be out of town until then. He recommends that we personally explain our position to Representatives Hamilton and Nix, and believes we can count on the firm support of Representatives Henderson, Derwinski and Lukens.

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25X1 7. [] In keeping with arrangements Mr. Maury made yesterday, met with Theodore J. Kazy, Senior Staff Assistant, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, on S. 782 and gave him an off-the-record copy of our proposed report to Chairman Henderson and related documents. Kazy readily grasped the fundamental problems the legislation would cause for the Government in general and the Agency in particular. He said Dick Cook of the White House wanted him to render support to the Republican members of the Subcommittee in line with the Agency's position. I informed him of Mr. Maury's contacts with Chairman Henderson and other Subcommittee members. In return, he gave me a rundown on Subcommittee members and said the key Republican member is Representative Gross, and said our exemption should be assured in Committee with Representatives Henderson, Gross, Derwinski, and Lukens in our corner. He recommended that we see Representative Lee Hamilton (D., Ind.). He said North Carolina politics and not Chairman Henderson's enthusiasm for the bill explain the present momentum, but that he does not believe that action is imminent.

25X1 8. [] Met with Karl Lemp, in the office of Representative Lee H. Hamilton (D., Ind.), and gave him a package on S. 782. Mr. Lemp will not take any action unless he hears from us. He said that Representative Hamilton was impressed by the Director's briefing of the Henderson Subcommittee on S. 1035 in 1968 and told his press assistant at that time that the Agency's preparation and presentation was highly professional.

25X1 9. [] John Lofton, National Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, requested back issues of the Asia and Pacific Daily Report from 1 May to the present, explaining they were needed for a report with a deadline of today. With the cooperation of [] FBIS, the material was supplied, but I pointed out to Mr. Lofton the reasons why requests of this type were a drain on our resources.

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